

REMARKS

Claims 1-9, 11, 17-21 and 23 are presented for consideration by the Examiner. The claims have been amended in response to the rejections and remarks in the Office Action mailed November 18, 2005, and every ground of rejection has been addressed.

I. EXAMINER INTERVIEW WAS HELD

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A telephone interview was held with the Examiner on February 2, 2006, during which agreement was reached on some of the issues raised by applicant. The Examiner's remarks were helpful in assisting applicant's counsel in focusing on elements the Examiner considers most promising. A report of the substance of the interview is contained in the remarks below.

The amendments above were made in accordance with the Examiner's suggestions given during said interview, and applicant makes the following points of law and fact in further support of said amendments.

II. OBJECTIONS TO DRAWINGS ARE TREATED

Responsive to the objection made to the drawings for not showing the method steps of claims 12-15, claims 12-15 have been canceled herein. Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests that the objection to the drawings be withdrawn.